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### (U) CALIFORNIA

# (U) Manteca – 300-Pounds of Illegal Fireworks Seized from 19-Year-Old

(U) A 19-year-old was arrested after being found in possession of more than 300-pounds of illegal fireworks. Giovanni Gomez, 19, faces felony charges of possessing more than 100-pounds of illegal fireworks and possession of a destructive device after investigators discovered 20-pounds of homemade "M-type" fireworks. Gomez was allegedly observed selling the illegal items to various people.

# SOURCE: 28 June 2021, CBS Sacramento

#### (U) Sacramento – Authorities Search for Two Nevada Jail Escapees

(U) Two jail inmates escaped with the help of a third man who was out on bail. One of the inmates has been found but the two other wanted men are still missing, and one was last seen in Sacramento. Officials with the Carson City Sheriff's Office says Matthew R. Marizza, 27, and Cody J. Abernathy, 28, were seen escaping the Carson City Jail last Friday night in a white minivan. The van was abandoned nearly ten minutes later and both men could not be found.

SOURCE: 28 June 2021, <u>FOX 40</u>

#### (U) San Francisco – Bay Area Man Gets Two-Years in Methamphetamine Conspiracy Case

(U) Three years after a co-defendant received 10-years in federal prison for involvement in a quarter-pound methamphetamine deal, a Bay Area man was sentenced to a two-year prison term. Randolph Knoblock was sentenced earlier this month to two-years in federal prison, followed by five-years of supervised released. Knoblock pleaded guilty to conspiracy to distribute methamphetamine and two counts of distribution of a controlled substance earlier this year.

SOURCE: 28 June 2021, Mercury News

#### (U) NATIONAL

#### (U) Florida – Dozens of Law Enforcement Officers Heading to US-Mexico Border

(U) Tallahassee – More than 50 law enforcement officers in Florida will head to Texas and Arizona to help with border-control efforts. This all comes after leaders in both states requested help in battling illegal immigration. Governor Ron DeSantis said the mutual-aid effort will also protect Florida, in part, because some of the drugs crossing the border have ended up in the state.

SOURCE: 28 June 2021, <u>FOX 13 News</u>

# (U) New York – Antifa Member Pleads Guilty for Posting IED Recipe and Inciting Riots

(U) Rochester – An upstate New York antifa member has pleaded guilty in federal court for posting an online homemade explosive recipe to social media and instructing fellow comrades to make firebombs to harm law enforcement. The US Attorney's Office for the Western District of New York charged Ryan Howe, 27, in October 2020 with using a facility of interstate and foreign commerce to incite, promote, and encourage a riot. This week Howe pled guilty to civil disorder, which carries a maximum penalty of five-years in prison and a \$250,000 fine. Sentencing is scheduled for October 2021.

SOURCE: 28 June 2021, Post Millennial

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#### (U) INTERNATIONAL

# (U) Algeria - Coastguard Seizes Half a Ton of Cocaine Floating Off Coast

(U) Oran – The Algerian coastguard has seized almost half a ton of cocaine after fishers alerted authorities to suspicious items floating off the north-west coast. The coastguard fished out 1,080-pounds of cocaine split up into 442 packages from the water off Oran's Cap Carbon. The cocaine seizure is the largest in the north African country since authorities found 700-kilograms of the drug on a boat transporting meat from Brazil in 2018.

SOURCE: 28 June 2021, Agence France-Presse

#### (U) Netherlands - Court Convicts Woman for Spreading ISIS Propaganda

(U) The Hague – A Dutch court convicted a 32-year-old woman and sentenced her to six-years imprisonment for involvement in war crimes committed by Islamic State in Iraq and ash-Sham (ISIS). The Hague District Court ruled that ISIS is a criminal organization with the aim of committing war crimes and convicted the woman of involvement in the war crimes for spreading propaganda from her home. The woman's sentence was double the three-years originally demanded by prosecutors, with judges saying the sentence request was too low, even though the defendant suffers from a what the court called a psychological impulse disorder.

SOURCE: 29 June 2021, Associated Press

#### (U) Nigeria – Troops Kill 12 Boko Haram Militants

(U) Lagos – Twelve Boko Haram militants were killed as Nigerian troops thwarted an attack by the extremist group on a military base in the northeastern state of Borno. Onyema Nwachukwu, the army spokesperson, said in a statement a group of Boko Haram militants on gun trucks and several motorcycles attacked a military base at Bula Yobe area in Borno State, but were met with heavy fire from the troops. According to the spokesperson, the operation was largely successful due to the proper coordination between the air component of operation Hadin Kai and the ground troops, adding that arms including gun trucks and other lethal weapons were recovered from the terrorists.

SOURCE: 29 June 2021, ANI

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